

FRIENDS OF ROSE TOWNSHIP

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TO: Mr. Lawrence Leveque (PS-19J)
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U.S. EPA Region v
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FROM: Gisela Lendle King, co-chair

Dear Mr. Leveque

I am writing to you on behalf of the Friends of Rose Township, an environmental group active in Rose Township, located North of, and directly adjacent to Highland Township.

We are stronly opposed to EPA's proposed remedial alternative 1 of the Hi-Mill manufacturing site in Highland Township. Alternative 1 does not appear to satisfy the intent of CERCLA nor does it satisfy the nine criteria EPA uses to rate site clean up proposals. It proposes no action with ground water monitoring and institutional controls.

We have determined that alternative 2B, active treatment (on-site and off-site) provides complete remediation of the site, and therefore meets all criteria for cleanup and protection of the public's health. There are no guarantees that contamination will not spread beyond the site if left unremediated.

Cost for alternative 2B of \$1,857,000.00 is not unreasonable considering the real and potential damage and harm arising if this site is not properly remediated. In the event of further environmental damage and liability necessitating further remediation, cost could rise considerably for the parties involved.

We therefore urge EPA to reject alternative 1 for the Hi-Mill superfund site and adopt alternative 2B.

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cc: Congressman Carr Senator Levin Senator Riegle